Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company Docket Nos. D.T.E. 02-24 and D.T.E. 02-25 Responses to the Department's Second Set of Information Requests

Request No. DTE-2-7

Refer to Schedule MHC-1 (Electric) at 2 and D.T.E. 99-118, at 95. Please explain the reasons for the difference between electric distribution revenues in 1999 of \$15,357,053 and \$13,913,319 during the test year. As part of this response, provide the kilowatthour sales for 1999 and 2001.

Response:

The main reason for the difference is a large decrease in the sales and demand revenue associated with the Large General Service/Special Contract class. The kWh sales for 1999 and 2001 are shown below for each major rate class. 2001 kWh sales differ from those shown in the Schedules of Ms. Asbury's testimony by 171,872 kWh – the amount associated with a special contract customer.

	1999 kWh Sales	2001 kWh Sales
Residential	149,897,256	157,030,902
Regular General Service	107,843,248	110,694,680
Large General Service/ Special Contract	241,353,739	185,106,362
Outdoor Lighting	<u>3,077,145</u>	<u>3,136,803</u>
Total	502,171,387	455,968,746

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